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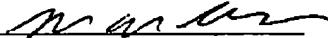
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In response to the Office Action dated September 21, 2005, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on December 21, 2005, please enter this response and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. **Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.